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RECENT BOND SALES

Resolutions Providing for Investigation in the Senate To-day.

OPPOSED BY HILL AND PLATT

Bill Passed for a Public Building in Indianapolis To Cost \$2,000,000—Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill in the House.

Washington, March 31.—The resolution in the senate providing for the appointment of a select committee to investigate the recent issue of bonds by the government will be under consideration this afternoon, providing Senator Peffer, its author, can get the required permission. Senators Wolcott and Teller will aid Senator Peffer in having the matter brought up. When the resolution was reached yesterday Senators Hill and Platt objected to its immediate consideration, so the matter was permitted to go over until this afternoon. In the morning hour the bill to approve a compromise and settlement between the United States and the state of Arkansas, arising out of mutual claims for the principal and interest due on state bonds held by the United States and for lands claimed by the state under the swamp lands act and other acts, was taken up and passed after a debate lasting a couple of hours. No other business was transacted except the passage of some bills on the calendar that were unobjectionable—including one for a public building at Indianapolis to cost \$2,000,000.

House of Representatives.

The house to-day is still occupied in the consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill. Only one amendment has so far been made, appropriating \$100,000 toward the completion of the public building at Newark, N. J. The house agreed to resolutions appointing Bernard R. Greene as successor to the late Gen. Casey in the construction of the new congressional library, and authorized ex-President Harrison to accept medals given to him by Brazil and Spain.

EMERGENCY RATIONS.

A Board Appointed To Fix Upon Proper Food for Soldiers in the Field.

Washington, March 31.—Despite a belief to the contrary, the war department has determined to reopen the question of obtaining an emergency ration for the army, and orders have been issued appointing a board of officers to meet in Washington immediately "to examine the reports of the boards which were convened in the several military departments to consider and recommend a proper ration for troops operating in emergencies." Major-General Miles and Commissary-General Stanton will appear before the board to make suggestions and give views. The board has been directed to make recommendations on the subject and to report upon the minimum amount of articles of food necessary to sustain a soldier in health and activity while in active service in the field for a limited period. The whole subject was considered some time ago by the commissary department and investigations were made and reports written by the principal subsistence officers in the eight military departments. Samples of the emergency rations used by foreign countries have been received at the war department and it is proposed to look into the matter thoroughly.

THE SNYDER INQUEST TO-DAY.

Discoveries of Various Medicines, Supposed To Be Poisonous.

Port Jervis, N. Y., March 31.—At 2 o'clock this afternoon the inquest upon the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, alleged to have been poisoned by their daughter, Mrs. Whittaker, will take place. It is ascertained that last Thursday Policeman Harvey, who was detailed by Coroner Hardling to exercise surveillance over the daughter, discovered a bottle of white pills in Mrs. Snyder's residence. The coroner has sent the pills to Dr. Witham for analysis. Wilton Bennett, Mrs. Whittaker's counsel, will move to set aside the will made by her mother disinherit her, on the ground of juries. Assistant District Attorney Powell stated to a reporter that the ante-mortem statement of Mrs. Snyder, the contents of which have not as yet been made public, is not of itself sufficient to hold Mrs. Whittaker. In addition to the box of pills above mentioned a number of bottles found in the Snyder house containing medicines have been forwarded to Dr. Witham for analysis.

Confirmed by the Senate.

Washington, March 31.—The senate in executive session confirmed the following nominations: Clement J. Dieckrich of Maryland, United States consul at Nantes, France. Postmaster, New York—Theodore Smith, Goshen; Charles E. Willis, Homer. Also numerous promotions in the army.

Maria Barberi's Appeal.

Albany, March 31.—The appeal of Maria Barberi, the young Italian murderer of New York city, will be argued before the court of appeals on Tuesday, April 7. The court will reconvene on April 6.

RUTHVEN AGAIN ASSAULTED.

The ex-Priest Hit on the Head with a Rock and Shot At.

Scranton, Pa., March 31.—Ex-Priest Ruthven, whose lectures in Scranton have aroused considerable feeling between sections of the Protestants and Catholics, was again assaulted in Providence, a suburb of this city, last night. Ruthven lectured in the Providence Christian church, and as soon as he was seated in the street car opposite the church a large piece of rock was hurled through the window. The rock struck him on the back of the head, inflicting a very serious wound. He was conveyed to his boarding house, where his wound was stitched. The doctors report that he is not in danger. Two or three shots were fired, but none took effect. No one has yet been arrested.

ED PARDRIDGE OUT.

The Millionaire Wheat Pit Plunger Says He Is Through with Speculation.

Chicago, March 31.—Ed Pardridge, the millionaire plunger in the wheat pit of the board of trade, and the most conspicuous figure in the speculative line since the days of "Old Hatch," bought 4,000 bushels of wheat yesterday and says he will now retire from the market having no further interest in it. He said he was a sick man physically and would have to give up speculating. His appearance bore out his statement as to his ill health. His buying of such an immense line of wheat was merely to cover his short sales, so that he could quit the market even. The market, in consequence, was very much agitated and the price rose from 63 1/2 to 64 1/2 cents a bushel, while the retiring plunger's brokers were clamoring for his four million bushels of short wheat. When they had secured all they wanted the price dropped to 63 1/4.

UNCONSCIOUS HALF AN HOUR.

Leeds, Defeated by Everhardt, Has a Close Call for His Life.

Maspeth, L. I., March 31.—Jack Everhardt defeated Horace Leeds last night at the Empire Athletic club. Leeds fell out from weakness after one minute of the fifteenth round. Leeds remained unconscious for more than thirty minutes. The utmost secrecy was observed while Leeds lay in the dressing room. The police kept everyone out. Two physicians worked over him for half an hour before he showed any signs of life. Just at 11:40 Leeds opened his eyes and moved his head. Consciousness returned slowly but surely, and at a few minutes before midnight Leeds was assisted from the club house and taken to New York. It was believed for some time by the physicians and the attendants that the defeated pugilist would never regain consciousness.

IN SESSION ALL NIGHT.

British House of Commons Discusses the Supply Measure.

London, March 31.—The house was in session all night debating the supply. Mr. Balfour declared that the European situation was unchanged, adding that a European war was no nearer and that Great Britain was no more involved in the European arrangements of treaties than she was before the Soudan expedition was decided upon. The supply was finally voted and the house adjourned.

Shipwrecked Seamen Reach Port.

New York, March 31.—Among the passengers who arrived last night on the steamer Trinidad from Bermuda were nine members of the crew of the steamer Volusia, which foundered at sea last week, all hands being rescued by the bark Linda and brought to Bermuda. On the Trinidad were also nine members of the German ship Ida, which put into Bermuda in distress, leaking.

License Vote in Massachusetts Towns.

Springfield, Mass., March 31.—The following is the license vote in yesterday's town meetings held in this vicinity: Chester, yes, 110; noes, 102. Dalton, yes, 167; noes, 274. Richmond, yes, 6; noes, 2. Sheffield, yes, 146; noes, 100. Tyringham, yes, 11; noes, 22. Ware, yes, 607; noes, 391.

Death of Col. Jas. S. McKay.

Elmira, N. Y., March 31.—Col. James S. McKay of Campbell, Steuben county, died last evening at Glenmary hospital, Oswego, aged 78. Col. McKay was born in Ireland and is of Scotch-Irish extraction. He went to Steuben county when a young man and his whole life has been identified with the progress and prosperity of the county.

Treasury Gold Reserve.

Washington, March 31.—The treasury gold reserve at the opening of business to-day stood at \$128,451,074. The withdrawals for the day were \$222,900.

Methodist Episcopal Conference.

Newark, N. J., March 31.—The Newark Methodist Episcopal conference will adjourn at noon to-day. Bishop Foss will make about forty appointments at the close of the session.

Steamer Paris Flouted.

New York, March 31.—The American liner steamer Paris, which was ashore southwest of Quickstep buoy, floated off at high tide last night.

SPANISH EXCESSES

Story of the Outrages on the Three Farrar Brothers, Americans.

THEIR HOUSE FIRED ON AND ROBBED

An Indemnity Demanded and the Matter Now in Consul General Williams' Hands—A Wounded Rebel Executed.

Havana, March 31.—Here is the story of the three brothers Farrar, all American citizens and joint owners of the coffee plantation "Estrella" in Havana province near Alquizar. It does not differ greatly from the experiences of many other owners of estates in the interior, but as those men happen to be Americans and have made sworn statements protesting against the excesses committed by Spanish troops, and demanding damages, the affair has become one of official record, and cannot be brushed away with a general denial. The papers are now in the hands of Consul General Williams, and Miguel Farrar, one of the brothers, has furnished me with a copy of his statement. It is as follows:

"Fired on the Dwelling."

"On Saturday, March 21, the dwelling house of the coffee plantation "Estrella" was the object of wanton attack by the column of Gen. Bernat, operating in that region. The said building received cannon shots of grape and cannister, breaking the door, one window, several piazza columns and greatly endangering the lives of the families of my brothers, Don Tasio and Don Luis Farrar, both American citizens, the wife of the former being enciente. There were two small children in the house. From my information it appears that the troops mentioned had sustained fire with a rebel band in the Paz plantations, a quarter of a league from Estrella. The rebels having fled to Pedrosa and Buena Esperanza plantations, the government troops advanced toward Estrella, in quite an opposite direction to that taken by the rebels.

Robbed of Jewelry and Clothing.

"On arriving at the borders of Estrella plantation the Spanish columns began firing cannon at the dwelling house, and it was immediately invaded by soldiers, who ransacked it, carrying off from wardrobes all jewelry and men's clothing which they contained as well as a sum of about \$60 in money. They also took away everything found in workmen's dwellings, arresting at the same time twelve of the occupants, whom they conducted to Alquizar as insurgents. It should be observed that the cannons were fired solely at the dwelling house of the owners, although there were twenty other buildings on the plantation and the place was entirely clear of insurgents.

Indemnity Demanded.

"In consideration of all the above, and particularly on account of the danger to which his relatives were exposed, and also for the unjustifiable looting on the part of the regular troops in the service of a constitutional government, the undersigned does most solemnly protest and asks an immediate indemnity for the damage suffered, which he values at \$1,000, as all work has been stopped on the plantation and everything abandoned."

Wounded Rebel Executed.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Havana, March 31.—Enrique Aleman was executed in the Cabanas, across the bay from this city, yesterday. He belonged to one of Maceo's bands, which was dispersed. Afterwards he joined a small band of insurgents and was captured in a fight with the troops, in which he was wounded in the arm, in both hands and in the fingers. His right hand was amputated in a hospital. There is no definite news regarding the movements of Maceo, who is in the province of Pinar del Rio. Insurgents have burned Penalver, a small town two leagues from Guanabacoa, province of Havana. They hanged the alcalde. Col. Moncada reports that his command made a reconnoitre in the Siguanas Valley and destroyed 100 houses that the insurgents were using as infirmaries and workshops. In the fighting the rebels lost eight killed, including one bearing the title of "Governor" Castro. A detachment of troops, acting in concert with a gunboat, fought an insurgent force at Rincon, near cape Cruz. Three rebels were killed, among the number being the leader Cervino, who had just landed with an expedition from Jamaica. The warship Alfonso XII. fired by mistake upon the Spanish coasting steamer Alava of Matanzas. One blank shot and five balls were fired at her, but no damage was done.

J. FRANK CLARK.

Hudson River Shad Catch.

Albany, March 31.—Leonard Jaycox, special agent to gather shad statistics for the state fisheries, game and forest commission, reports that the total number of shad caught in the Hudson in 1895 was 1,156,382.

Ex-Gov. Seay Dead.

Montgomery, Ala., March 31.—Thos. Seay, who was governor of Alabama from 1886 to 1890, died at his home in Greensboro last night from grippe.

FAT JOB GIVEN OUT

New York State Commissioner of Excise Appointed.

H. H. LYMAN OF OSWEGO THE MAN

One of the Best Officers in the Gift of the Governor—He Has the Appointment of Numerous Well Paid Subordinates.

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INTEREST ON B. & O. BONDS.

Announcement That It Will Be Paid on April 1 Came as a Surprise.

Baltimore, March 31.—It was officially announced at the treasury office last night that the interest on the extended 4 1/2 per cent. bonds of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company would be paid April 1. The payment of the interest on this issue may mean that all interest charges will be met when due. Considerable uncertainty had been felt among Baltimore & Ohio security holders as to whether or not the interest payments would be made. It was realized that default on April 1 (some of the oldest bonds of the company being included) would mean no hope of getting any returns on other bonds of the corporation and there was, therefore, a good feeling in financial circles when the announcement was made.

EVIDENCE IN A PENSION CASE.

Commissioner Lochran Takes Proceedings Against a Judge and His Clerk.

Washington, March 31.—Solicitor General Conrad yesterday made a motion in the supreme court of the United States for leave to file, on behalf of Pension Commissioner Lochran, a petition for a writ of mandamus against Hon. C. H. Benedict, judge of the district court for the eastern district of New York, and R. L. Benedict, the clerk. It is in order to obtain the evidence of Mathias Fugueira, a physician in Brooklyn, who refused to give testimony before a special examiner in a pension case and for whom the judge refused to issue a subpoena.

HAMMOND AT CAPE TOWN.

The American Permitted To Leave the Transvaal Under \$100,000 Bail.

Cape Town, March 31.—John Hays Hammond, the American mining engineer who is one of the members of the Johannesburg reform committee who were arrested on the charge of sedition, arrived here last evening. He was permitted to leave the Transvaal owing to the condition of his health, but before he left his bail was increased to \$100,000.

Herbert Booth To Go to Australia.

Winnipeg, Man., March 31.—Commander Herbert Booth, the head of the Salvation Army in Canada, has arrived here after a farewell tour through the northwest. He says that he is in almost daily communication with Ballington Booth, in an effort to induce him to return to the army. He says that he is going to Australia to relieve Comandant Coombs, who had been his predecessor in Canada.

PROBABLY SKIPPED OUT.

An Executor of a \$55,000 Estate Mysteriously Absent.

Father, N. Y., March 31.—W. W. Allen, who until a couple of weeks ago was cashier of the First National bank here, failed to appear on a court order relating to the Lock estate of \$55,000, of which he was executor, and of which \$5,000 can be found by the heirs. Allen has not been seen here in several days and circumstances indicate that he has left the country.

Pacific Railroad Master.

Washington, March 31.—The joint sub-committee on Pacific railroads held a long session yesterday, but reached no definite conclusion. One of their number has been instructed to prepare a bill that will soon be submitted to the full committee.

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SUCCEEDS GREENHALGE.
Massachusetts' New Chief Executive Comes from Sturdy Stock.

Lieut. Gov. Roger Wolcott, who became chief magistrate of Massachusetts on the death of Gov. Greenhalge, comes of a distinguished American family. He is a descendant of the famous Roger Wolcott who was the governor of Connecticut in the 17th century, and of Oliver Wolcott, who was secretary of the treasury in the early days of the republic. Roger Wolcott was one of the signers of the declaration of independence, and the family has ever been a patriotic and loyal one. The present lieutenant governor is a stout patriot, and one who clings to the traditions of patriotism. The ticket on which he was elected last fall swept



GOV. ROGER WOLCOTT.

Massachusetts with a majority of 60,000. The term expires next January, and Gov. Wolcott's successor will be elected at the general elections in November. The law of Massachusetts is odd in relation to the present situation. For 20 years until now there has never been a vacancy in the office of governor. But Lieut. Gov. Wolcott will not succeed as governor. During the illness of Mr. Greenhalge he was "acting governor." The constitution does not transmit the title of governor to the second officer of state in the event of the death of the first officer. On the death of the first officer the second officer issues a proclamation declaring that there is a vacancy in the office of governor. The lieutenant governor then ceases to be acting governor, but becomes "lieutenant governor and commander in chief."

ORANGE FREE STATE.

Judge Steyn, Its New President, Is a Warm Friend of Kruger. Judge Steyn, who has recently been elected president of the Orange Free State, was chief justice of that country before his elevation to the office of the presidency. The position had been filled by the late F. W. Reitz. Judge Steyn's election is considered a Boer victory, as his candidacy was indorsed and promoted by President Krueger, of the Transvaal. Dr. Jameson and his raid into the South African republic had the sympathy of the uplanders, or non-citizens of the Orange Free State. Steyn stood for the conservative or Boer interests, and his election shows the tide is flowing against British domination in this part of Africa. He is an able jurist, a good statesman and a strong man. The country over which he will rule is an independent Dutch republic in South Africa. On the south of it is Cape Colony, on the west Griqualand, the Transvaal on the north and Natal on the east. Its area is 48,326



JUDGE STEYN, PRESIDENT OF THE ORANGE FREE STATE.

square miles. The total population numbers 207,502, of whom nearly 80,000 are whites. The government consists of a president and a council appointed by the volksraad. The country is divided into 19 districts, with a "landrost" to each appointed by the president and confirmed by the volksraad. The volksraad is a legislative body elected by the adult white burghers, half of the body vacating seats every two years.

Biggest of Big Trees.

The largest tree in the state of California, or in the American continent, perhaps, is "Old Sequoia," the Titan of all the redwood giants, which stands at an altitude of 5,300 feet above sea level at a distance of 17 miles from the Yosemite valley. At present "Old Sequoia" is but a blackened stump, but as it stands it is without doubt the oldest representative of the vegetable kingdom in the world. At one time, before fire and wind partially destroyed the grove of "big trees," of which it was the chief, "Old Sequoia" was more than 100 yards high and upwards of 50 feet in diameter. At present the "stump" is 185 feet high and about 41 feet in diameter near its charred and blackened roots. Quite a "stump," after all.

Olive Corer a New Invention.

An olive corer, which may also be used for taking the seeds out of dates, is counted among this season's novelties. This corer has a sharp little tooth that clutches the olive, and, quicker than a flash, removes the stone from it. In shape it remains one of an intricate nut-cracker, and recalls as well a certain kind of button-hole scissor. The olive corer is handsome and by no means inexpensive, but is worth much to the housewife and her maids.

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

Any and all devotional exercises in the public schools of Missouri are declared illegal. They are now fighting in Minnesota on the same lines.

People of Wapella county, Ia., have engaged Evangelist Moody and two other exhorters to convert the town of Eddyville, which is noted for its seep-tic.

Roy York, a 13-year-old boy preacher, is conducting services in Missouri, and is said to be stirring up much religious fervor and causing many conversions.

David J. Hill, president of the University of Rochester, has resigned. The action is said to be on account of the opposition to him manifested by conservative Baptists who have not favored his liberal views and management of the university.

Dean Farrar of Canterbury thinks it "perfectly erroneous to talk of the failure of missions, when they started with 120 despised Galileans, and when now there are 120,000,000 Protestants, and they have in their power almost all the resources of the world."

Henry Villard, the railroad magnate, has given a large fund for the State University of Oregon, made liberal donations to the University of Washington, endowed a hospital in his native town, and spent a great deal of money on industrial art schools in Rhenish Bavaria.

The international executive committee, representing American Sunday schools, at a meeting recently held at Chautauqua, voted to send a Sunday school worker and organizer to Japan. The sum of \$1,000 was raised as a beginning, and a subcommittee appointed to secure the right.

The London university conferred the degree of doctor of literature upon Miss Elizabeth Dawes, an Englishwoman. This degree reflects great credit upon the scholarship of man or woman, requiring as it does the broadest reading. The year '95 marked the first time a woman had received it.

THE AVERAGE MURDERER.

In Prison He Appears Happy, and Certainly He Grows Fat.

One of the strangest of all the strange phases of human nature is the cheerfulness of the average murderer after conviction and sentence. There are, of course, exceptions to the rule; there are murderers who await execution in horror and dread, and occasionally one dies of this torment before the fatal day arrives. But these are rare cases and do not affect the correctness of the proposition that the average murderer is a rather cheerful person, sleeps well, has a good appetite, grows fat, and, till his last hour, manifests a lively interest in such worldly affairs as occupied his mind before he was caught, caged and marked for the hangman.

Trouble of mind is not conducive to the taking on of fat. A convict whose day of death had been finally fixed, and who had no ground on which to base the faintest hope of clemency, might affect cheerfulness, or even jocularity, in the presence of visitors. But there is no affecting a growth of adipose. The man whose weight is increasing day by day, even in the shadow of the gallows, is not in mental distress. The mind and body are too closely related for either to be tormented without the full participation of the other.

Here is an extract from a reporter's account of a visit to Harry Hayward, at Minneapolis, who was put to death for one of the most cruel, cold-blooded murders ever perpetrated:

"Do you think you will hang?"

"Yes, I think I will, old man," Hay ward replied. His face did not change color, nor did he flinch. Then he continued, laughing: "A fellow has got to go some time, and it might as well be one time as another. Only I wish it well done and no bungling. But, by-the-by, what do you think about the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight? or rather the one that did not come off? I will tell you what I believe. I think 'Fitz' was afraid of Jim. I would hate to see Jim get whipped, for he is an American. But the fight will never come off, now," he added.

"How is your health, Mr. Hayward?"

"Splendid. When I came in here I weighed 160, but I have gained 40 pounds. You see, I have nothing to worry me, have slept well, and eaten heartily and will continue to do so until the end."

If this were an exceptional case it would be interesting only as a possible indication of lunacy. But it presents nothing that is unusual. It is strange only because it is impossible for the average mind to conceive of such cheerfulness, such indifference under the conditions surrounding this man.—Washington Post.

Further Information Wanted.

A very devout gentleman of Boston who teaches a Sunday-school class of bootblacks and news-boys the beauties of the Gospel, recently undertook to tell a story of Jacob's ladder. After he had graphically pictured the wanderings of the old patriarch, his dream in the eastern pasture, and the ladder on which the angels were ascending and descending, he paused and said:

"Now, boys, if there is anything in this story that I have not yet explained, you may ask me any question you like and I will answer it."

"Say, Mister Minister, did you say dem angels hed wings?"

"Yes, my boy," replied the doctor;

"angels always have wings."

"Well, den, ef dey hed wings what for did they need lad iers?"—Boston Home Journal.

Rival Dignitaries.

Englishman (producing a pocket coin)—My great-great-grandfather was made a lord by the king whose picture you see on this shilling.

Yankee (with a similar gesture)—What a coincidence! My great-great-grandfather was made an angel by the Indian whose picture you see on this cent.—Puck.

BULL'S COUGH SYRUP

That heritage of rich and poor, has saved many a life. For Throat and Lung affections it is invaluable. It never fails to cure Cough, Cold, Croup and Whooping-Cough. DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP is the best. Price 25 cents.

Chew LANGE'S PLUGS, The Great Tobacco Antidote, 10c. Dealers or mail, A. C. Meyer & Co., Ballou, Md.

LOOK AT THIS!

The success of our steel range is wonderful. It is MAJESTIC! We have the best Cast Iron Range. Call and see our NEW AND EXTERIOR range with copper tank and Dockash grate for \$22. A beauty.

Garden, Field and Flower seeds fresh & spring.

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VIGOR OF MEN MAGNETIC NERVOUS.

Easily, Quickly, Permanently Restored. Sold with a Written Guarantee. Suitable for Nervous Diseases, Insomnia, Falling Memory, and all Weaknesses resulting from early or later exposure. \$1 per box, 6 for \$5.

SOLD BY J. E. MILLS.

The Liberty
BICYCLE FOR 1896.

There are other good wheels in the market. But if you will call and examine THE LIBERTY we will endeavor to demonstrate why this wheel is superior.

B. F. GORDON, AGT. Watchmaker and Jeweler.

55 North Street, Middletown, N. Y.

You Are Invited to our Spring Millinery Opening on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of This Week.

The latest styles of Hats, Toques, Bonnets, Turbans and the newest effects in Flowers, Feathers and Novelty will be shown. Last, but not least, our Capes, Jackets and Wrists, for ladies, misses and children, are well worth your time to look at.

M. KATZINGER, COR. NORTH AND W. MAIN STS.

NEW IDEA.

Keep Your Feet Warm.

We have warm shoes, felt boots, beaver boots, warm overshoes that are sure to keep you nice and comfortable when you try a pair. Ask to see our

DRY WARMESHOES!

J. G. HARDING

(No. 25, West Main St., Middletown.)

YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD.

Don't wonder if that means you. It means everybody who wants

Lumber, Coal, Lime, Cement, Shingles, Building Paper, Ready Mixed Paints

or anything else in our line; and the only requirement that we make is that whatever terms of payment you agree to, you will live up to.

CRANE & SWAYZE

Lumber, Coal and Building Material, 11-19 Montgomery St.

SPECIAL THIS WEEK.

Infant's Fine White Slips 25c each. Infant's Short Dresses white, 25c each. Girls' School Aprons 25c each.

All week at the

CHILDREN'S BAZAAR

116 North Street, Middletown, N. Y.



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be recommended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

HOWELLS.

SIGNS OF SPRING—SCHOOLS CLOSED—FACTORY SHUT DOWN—OTHER NOTES.
Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Robins and blue birds have made their appearance.

—Some of the schools in this section have been closed on account of the bad roads.

—A. T. Bertholf brought in some Sullivan county cows a few days ago. He knows where to buy cows cheap.

—J. Oldroyd's factory has been shut down for a few days on account of some of the machinery needing repairs, but will resume business this week. He employs a number of men and women.

—The Erie pay car was a welcome visitor here last week.

—We learn that the Erietrack foreman here, M. Finn, will have a large force of men this year, as it is intended to put the track in first class condition. Mike is a good man and always works for the interest of his employers.

—We are glad to learn that John Newkirk is around again. It will be remembered that he came very near losing both of his limbs while trying to ride on a freight train. It will be a lesson that he will long remember, as will many others.

—J. Heaton has arrived home and all seem pleased to see him. He reports business very dull in Newburgh.

WAWAYANDA.

Dehorning Cattle—Bad Roads—First of April Changes—Other Notes.
Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mr. Wm. Divers is kept busy dehorning cattle this spring. On Saturday he dehorned the herds of L. McCay, James Gates and Rev. Thos. Fitzgerald, of Mount Hope.

—The farmers have their woodpiles about worked up.

—March has been a bad month; the worst in years.

—F. E. Mills made a flying visit to Mr. McCay's, one day last week. He is crippled with a sprained back and hip.

—Sunday's rain put the roads in bad condition.

—James Gates passed the cigars with a broad smile. It is a boy.

—Chas. Evans has bought the Hill property in State Hill.

—Moving time is close at hand. There are few changes to be made. Among them are Mr. Briggs to A. H. Sargeant's house, Mr. Van to Chas. Middaugh's, Mart Wood to Jas. O'Brien's farm.

—Wm. M. Divers sold Chas. Middaugh a fine roan horse; one that he can be just proud of. He has sold ten for good prices this winter.

—Henry Kirby is breaking a fine pair of three year olds. The boys will have to look out, for they step off well.

BEAVERKILL.

The Sick—Victims of Road Accidents.
Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Among the sick are Mrs. W. H. Wamsley and two daughters, Mr. T. Remain and Abram Sprague's family.

—Edgar Cammer, of New Kingston was here last week to see his father, who has been sick for a long time.

—Sidney Gockle is clerking for W. C. Hardie.

—Mrs. M. S. Tobey is improving fast. Mrs. Jay Davidson is as well as ever. It will be remembered the two ladies, while driving to Rockland, went off the dugway by Benjamin Hardenburgh's, going down about thirty feet. The horses was determined to turn around, and jumped from the road over the bank.

—William Middlemist, of Beach Hill, went off the same dugway about two weeks ago, and a load of logs fell on top of him. He was injured seriously, his lower limbs seeming to be paralyzed.

A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morris on Worthington, Ind., "Sun," writes: "You have a valuable prescription to Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for Constipation and Sick Headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Steble, 2625 Cottage Grove ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and \$1.00.

Get a bottle at McMonagle & Rogers.

Bucklin's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents a box. For sale by McMonagle & Rogers.

A high liver with a torpid liver will not be long liver. Correct the liver with DeWitt's little early risers little pills that cure dyspepsia and constipation. W. D. Olney.

That lame back can be cured with Dr. Elmer NERLY'S LISTERINE. Call 25.

Must Use the Knife.

Said the Surgeon, but Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy Was Taken and the Knife Avoided.

The Union and Advertiser, of Rochester, N. Y., recently published the following interesting account of how William W. Adams, of 127 South avenue, that city, was saved from a painful operation by the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

Mr. Adams said: "Three years ago I was taken with kidney disease very badly; at times I was completely prostrated; in fact, was so bad that the day was set for the doctors to perform an operation upon me. But I decided I would not submit. I had been put in hot water baths and, in fact, nearly every means was tried to help me. Upon the day set for the operation I commenced the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, and from that moment began to gain, and it was not long before I was entirely cured and have had no return of the trouble since. My weight has increased and I never was so well as I am now. I have recommended

DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY

to many people, for it saved my life."

In speaking to Mrs. Adams, she said: "About a year ago I was in a very feeble state of health, being completely run down. I had doctored considerably, but without permanent relief. One day one of my neighbors advised me to take Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, which I did. My trouble was dyspepsia, and for a long while I was unable to be about at all; but after taking a few doses I was completely cured, and now enjoy good health."

Hundreds of men and women with that run down condition, unable to work, have recovered health and strength through this remarkable remedy. It purifies the blood, stirs the liver and kidneys to a healthy action. In cases of rheumatism, kidney, liver and urinary troubles, it is a well known specific.

OTISVILLE.

The Bated Spring—The Location of the Creamery—The C. E. Social—Many Personal Notes.
Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—March is nearly gone and though down on the calendar as a spring month I am sure no one has been able to see any signs of spring in it unless it be the robins and blue birds, which put in their appearance last week. Their songs seemed to be tinged with sadness more than joy, and why not? Snow and sleet are not just what a bird likes to see when spring is here.

—The location of the creamery, which agitated the minds of many of our citizens for some time, has been decided on. The company has purchased land of Mr. Loomis, near the track, above the village.

—The social at Mrs. Ketcham's was a pleasant one and the receipts were satisfactory to the C. E. Society. The next one will be held at the home of Charles Loomis, April 10th.

—Even Dr. Theodore Writer had to succumb to this terrible weather and was on the sick list for several days, last week.

—Rev. Mr. Diven was entertained at Mr. Emmet Writer's, south of our village, on Sunday.

—Miss Pearl Beyea is visiting friends in Brooklyn and New York.

—Mr. Bert Sayer left, Monday morning, for Jersey city, where he will spend some time visiting relatives.

—Mr. Henderson, who has been living with Mr. Veltman, will move to the Evans farm, this spring.

—Mr. Reed, who has been confined to the house for several weeks, is wishing for the advent of warmer weather.

SOUTH CENTREVILLE.

An Easter Sociable.

—The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will hold an Easter sociable at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Robertson, Monday evening, April 6. Easter novelties will be on hand and a cordial invitation is extended to all to be present.

The Ideal Panacea.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physicians' prescriptions or other preparations."

Rev. John Burgess, Keokuk, Iowa, writes: I have been a Minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church for 50 years or more, and have never found anything so beneficial, or that gave me such speedy relief as Dr. King's New Discovery." Try this ideal cough remedy now. Trial Bottles Free at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

It not only is so, it must be so. One Minute Cough Cure acts quickly, and that's what makes it go. W. D. Olney.

"Give me a liver regulator and I can regulate the world," said a genius. The druggist handed him a bottle of DeWitt's Little Early Riser, the famous little pills. W. D. Olney.

Charged with Embezzlement.

Baltimore, March 31.—Maurice Bunnell, aged 24, a bookkeeper for J. W. Bond & Co., stationers on East Baltimore street, is under arrest, charged with embezzling \$1,500. It is stated the amount will likely reach high figures in the thousands, as the speculations have been going on for several years and the investigation of Bunnell's accounts has only begun.

Instructed for Reed.

Melrose, Mass., March 31.—The seventh congressional district republican convention elected James Pierce of Malden and Amos F. Brand of Lynn as delegates to the St. Louis convention, and Walter F. Keene of Melrose and George H. Dunham of Chelsea alternates. The delegates were instructed for Reed.

Situation at Bulawayo Serious.

London, March 31.—Lord Gifford, a director of the British South Africa company, to-day received a cable dispatch from Bulawayo, dated yesterday, saying that the position there was very serious.

For Hunting and Fishing in Maine.

Albany, March 31.—The Parmachene club of New York city has been incorporated with the secretary of state, to secure desirable grounds in Maine for hunting and fishing.

The Dolphin Coming Home.

Washington, March 31.—The dispatch boat Dolphin sailed from Tam-pico, Mexico, yesterday for Key West, enroute to Norfolk.

BLOOMINGBURGH.

Jesse Bodine Injured—Burt While Alighting From a Train—An Aged Citizen Ill—Other News Items.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mr. Jesse Bodine, while helping to load a large stone, was struck on the head by a stick and quite badly hurt.

—Miss Beswick, of Brooklyn, stopped with S. S. Strong's family from Friday until Saturday.

—Mr. Fred Newkirk, of Wurtsboro, was in town Friday.

—Frank Redfield, whose hand was quite badly cut while helping to erect the bridge, is improving.

—J. W. Comfort, of Thompson Ridge, was in town Saturday visiting his son George.

—Mrs. Mary Decker, who is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Crawford and Miss Bull, has been confined to the house for several days by injuries received while getting off the car at the depot.

—Mr. Theo. S. Comfort, one of our oldest citizens, is confined to the bed by illness. Mr. Comfort is 87 years old, and has been very smart for one of his age.

—Miss Nellie Vail, of Middletown, is visiting at H. W. Brink's.

—Philip Harding is drawing the stone for the new bridge.

—Mr. Morris Lloyd has gone to New York and Brooklyn for a week's visit with friends.

—The Rural Cemetery Association will meet at Oillard's Hall, Saturday, April 4, at 1.30 o'clock.

—Miss Libbie Shearer has returned from Middletown, where she has been for several days.

JOHNSON.

Auction Sale—First of April Changes.
Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Cows averaged \$36.25 at John O'Connor's fair. Over three hundred people were present.

—Despite the bad traveling last Tuesday Mrs. Blizard's sale was a success. She will move with her family to Middletown, April 1st.

—A great many removals will take place in this vicinity April 1st. John Caddigan will occupy his farm and Gabriel Conkling will move from there to the Decker farm near Denton. O. Keleher has rented David Clark's farm and Mr. Hayes will occupy the place vacated by him. Chas. Carr will start farming on the place now occupied by Mr. Hayes.

—Mrs. Sarah Doane will move to Utica, April 1st, and conduct a boarding house in that village.

—Mr. John O'Connor, Jr., came up from New York, last Wednesday, to attend his father's sale. He returned that evening.

O My Head!

Is the weak, languid cry of the sufferer from sick headache. Hood's Pills cure this condition promptly, and so agreeably that it is like the pleasant change from darkness to daylight. The feeling of utter exhaustion and inability to work is driven off and the digestive organs are toned, strengthened and regulated. Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, safe, reliable. 25c. at all druggists.

One Minute Cough Cure touches the ght spot. It also touches it at the right time if you take it when you have a cough or cold. See point? Then don't cough. W. D. Olney.

Quick in effect, heals and leaves no scar. Burning, scaly skin eruptions quickly cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Applied to burns, scalds and old sores it is magical in effect. Always cures piles, W. D. Olney.

No miracle

about them—they are simply the result of a lifetime study and practice by the one man in Amer. who is best qualified to treat disease of the stomach and bowels.

Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills have a great trade because they are in a day and age when there is no other product in the world.

Let good Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills be your daily medicine.

Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills are the best.

After each meal. Your stomach will be relieved, and your bowels will be regular. Write us for a sample, yellow if bowel's are loose.

DR. T. A. DRANE CO. New York, N.Y.

We Have Just Received

CAR LOAD

OF

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Special care has been made in

selecting and in the curing and

smoking, especially for the

Easter trade.

Every Ham is Guaranteed

Ask your butchers and

grocers for

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WE HAVE BEEN IN The Furniture Business Over 23 Years.

But never before have we had such a varied and complete assortment of Furniture, Carpets, etc., as we have this spring, especially carpets, and the prices; well, we won't say anything about that. Come in and see for yourself.

We have a few Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines that we will close out at half price. The best machine in the world.

C. E. CRAWFORD FURNITURE CO 44-46 North street

EXQUISITE! McMonagle & Rogers' Extract Italian Violets! True to nature! McMonagle & Rogers' Extract Italian Violets! Our Extract Italian Violets is pronounced "Exquisite." "True to Nature," "Unequalled," - by people of refinement. A lady residing in a distant city bought a bottle of it while here on a visit, and since then has vainly tried to find its equal in her city. An attractive form, dainty cut, stoppered bottles 75 cents — a charming Easter token.

McMonagle & Rogers, Drug-gists.

HAVE YOU TRIED our Vio Lavender Smelling Salts? It's refreshing, invigorating, delightful, equal to Crown Lavender Salts, only half the price. We make it—25 cents a bottle.

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A DELIGHTFUL DESSERT.

One of Chr. Hansen's Janket Tablets (or household Reonet Tablets) dissolved in a little water and added to a quart of lukewarm milk, converts it into a delicious dish of Janket, relished by the healthy and the sick, by grown persons and children, alike.

Janket may be prepared with different flavors, and served with fruit or preserves, it makes the basis for a variety of dainty dishes to suit any palate.

A vial of Janket Tablets should be found in the pantry of every household; then if you have sweet milk, you are always prepared to make, at short notice, a dessert which pleases everybody.

Chr. Hansen's Janket Tablets are sold by McMonagle & Rogers, Wholesale and Retail Agents for Middletown and vicinity.

KID GLOVES FOR EASTER WEAR.

Ladies, do not miss seeing our line of KID GLOVES FOR EASTER, as they certainly lead in style, quantity and quality. No such line or values ever shown before. The gloves that we sell at 69c a pair, with four large pearl buttons; also in Foster 5-hook, both in Suede and Glace, both colors and black, is a special price on these Gloves for Easter season only, and some of them are actually worth \$1 a pair. Don't miss seeing our stock. We are in the Kid Glove business.

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Fancher's
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THE ARGUS.

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 1896.

OPEN EVENINGS.

THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31.— Threatening weather, to-night; Wednesday, rain and warmer; northeasterly winds becoming southerly.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the register of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:

7 a.m., 36°; 12 m., 62°; 3 p.m., 64°.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

April 5—Easter excursion to New York by the

Ap. 17—W. C. T. U. concert, at First Congregational Church.

April 15, 17—Entertainment at First Presbyterian Church.

April 21—Second annual festival of the Society of St. Elizabeth, at St. Elizabeth's Rooms, by the Ladies' Auxiliary of Thrall Hospital.

—May 1—Informal dance at the Assembly Rooms, by the Ladies' Auxiliary of Thrall Hospital.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Universal services in Assembly Rooms.

—Doctor yourself with Marvyn's remedies.

—Rooms to let, 10 West Main's roof.

—Orders taken for clothing at Morris Wolf's

Table delicacies at B. F. Todd's.

—Sun umbrella \$1.33 at Geo. B. Adams.

—Stearns' millinery opening April 1st, 2d, 3d

—Button book free at Weller & Demarest.

—Organ, desk, etc., cheap at 46 East Main St.

—J. Hanson's millinery opening April 1, 2, 3.

—Seven-room house for rent.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Additional local matter will be found on third page.

—March is going out in a very lamb-like mood.

—The choir of Norwich's Episcopal church will don surplices on Easter Sunday.

—Binghamton's Board of Education is planning a crusade against dealers in tobacco who sell cigarettes to boys under sixteen.

—Birthday Bag Party at St. Paul's M. E. Church, Thursday evening, April 2nd. Any who have not received bags may procure them at the door.

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—Many families who have to move took advantage of to-day's fine weather and transferred as many of their household goods as possible to their new habitations.

—The mud is very deep on many of the country roads and farmer, who come from a distance, are late in getting to the condensery with their milk.

—M. B. Wolf has taken the agency for Armheim, the well known Broadway, N. Y., tailor, and will keep samples of his stock on hand at his North street store.

PERSONAL.

—Hon G. M. Beebe, of Monticello, was in town to-day.

—Mr. S. D. Fright is seriously ill at his home, No. 23 Hanford street.

—E. G. Medrick, of Middletown, made a business trip to Norwich, Saturday. —Sup.

—Mrs. George Burrows, of Middletown, visited friends in town, Saturday. —Norwich Sun.

—Walter Funnell, of Middletown, who has been visiting the family of L. D. Fryover, on Reford street, returned home Sunday. —Norwich Sun.

—Mrs. F. J. Kellam and daughter, Florine, of 22 Washington street, left for Binghamton, to-day, where they will reside in the future.

—Mrs. John W. Carter, who was visiting her parents in this city, returned to her home in Middletown, on Saturday. —Newburgh News.

—Mrs. W. B. Royce and her daughter, Miss Eleanor and son, Bert, are in New York, to-day, and will meet Miss Edith on her arrival in that city from Andover, Mass.

ANOTHER FIRE ON OAK STREET.

—A Bureau Supposed To Have Been Set on Fire From a Hot Curling Iron.

An alarm of fire was sent in from box 41 this afternoon, and it is a singular coincidence that the fire was on Oak street, directly opposite where the last fire occurred one day last week. In this instance the fire was in the second story of a house occupied by Mrs. Julia Kenney, and was confined to a bureau which was badly scorched, and the contents ruined.

The fire was extinguished before the fireman arrived. It is supposed that a young lady in the family after curling her hair, left a hot iron on the bureau, which set fire to the cover.

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DIED OF HIS INJURIES.

Berton G. Pancoast, Who Was Injured on the O. and W., Dies in Thrall Hospital.

Mr. Berton G. Pancoast, who was crushed between cars in the O. and W. yard, yesterday, died of his injuries in Thrall Hospital at 7:15 o'clock, this morning. He suffered so greatly from shock that the hospital physicians did not attempt to amputate the injured members. He was conscious to the end and his wife was with him when he died.

Mr. Pancoast was a native of Woodbury, N. J., and was twenty-nine years old. He resided at Elenville for a time, but has lived in this city for the past three years.

He was a member of Grace Church, having been confirmed about a year ago. He was well liked by all who knew him.

He is survived by his wife and a seven-months-old baby and by his parents and one brother and one sister in Woodbury.

THE THALIA CLUB.

State Hospital Patients Entertained by the Fine Rendering of a Pleasant Programme.

The Thalia Club of the Middletown State Homopathic Hospital gave its fourth entertainment of the season for the amusement of the patients, last evening. A number of visitors from "down town" were present and the spacious amusement hall was well filled with an appreciative audience.

The following programme was most excellently rendered:

Overture—Bohemian ... Schubert

—Mrs. Taleott, Miss Munger

—Opera Act Comedette—

—I'VE WRITTEN TO BROWN, OR A NEEDLESS STRATAGEM—

Mr. Otway Sheridan Brown ... Mr. Nicklinson

Mr. Peregrine Dots ... Dr. Arthur

Mr. Charles Hetherington ... Dr. Ashton

Mr. Hilliard Gardner ... Mr. Reader

Mrs. Walston ... Mrs. Allen

Laura, her sister ... Mrs. Arthur

Duet—First Kiss waltz ... Miss Gladys Allen, Miss Emily Judson

Character Reading ... Prof. Thoreau

Piano Selection ... A farce in one act—

—THE OBSTINATE FAMILY—

Mr. Harwood ... Dr. Arthur

Mrs. Harwood ... Mrs. Nicklinson

Mr. Henry Ha'ord ... Mr. Clarke

Mrs. Henry Hartford ... Mrs. Cook

James ... Mr. Russell

Lucy ... Mrs. Arthur

IN MORE SPACIOUS QUARTERS.

The Universalist services To Hereafter Be Held in the Assembly Room.

It being impossible to seat the large congregations that have recently attended the Universalist services in Nearing Hall, the officers of this new church organization have decided to hold their future meetings in the Assembly Rooms. The hours of service will be as usual, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., with Sunday School 10 a. m.

Next Sunday Dr. J. Russell Taber, of Brooklyn, will preach. Dr. Faber preached here two weeks ago, and all who heard him then will be glad to know that he will be here for Easter.

Married His Fourth Wife at the Age of Sixty-seven.

Abram Aumick and Mrs. Catherine Connor, of Sparrowbush, were married Saturday evening. The groom is sixty-seven years old and this is his fourth venture in the matrimonial line. His bride is sixty-four years old.

The Grand Old Mutual Life Promptly settles.

Mr. C. P. Sadler, district manager of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, has promptly paid in full the claim, amounting to \$10,000, made under the policies held by the late Doctor Smith Ely, of this city, with that excellent company. —Newburgh Register, March 30, 1896.

The Erie's New Roadmaster.

Mr. John Roach has been appointed Roadmaster of the Erie to succeed Mr. F. S. Higbie, promoted to the office of Assistant Chief Engineer. Mr. Roach has been employed late with the Chicago and Erie Railroad and was formerly supervisor of the Erie at Jersey City. Mr. Roach will assume his duties to-morrow.

To Investigate the Death of Berton Pancoast.

Coroner Decker, this morning, empanelled a jury, who viewed the body of Berton Pancoast, who was fatally injured in the O. and W. yard, yesterday, and will hold an inquest at 4:30 o'clock, to-morrow afternoon, to investigate in regard to the responsibility for the accident.

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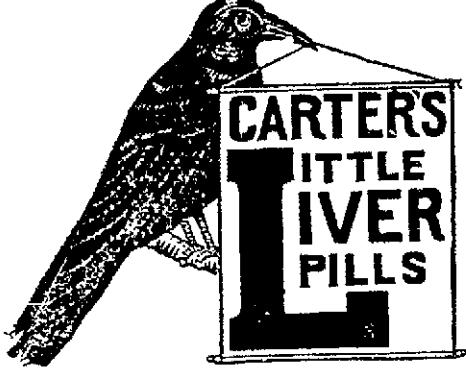
The Coroner investigating on New Lines—A Most Skillful Piece of Poisoning says the Chemist—Pills and Powders Found in Martha Whittaker's Work Basket.

The poisoning of Jacob Snyder and wife is shrouded in a deeper veil of mystery to day than at any time since the double tragedy occurred. Coroner Harding and Assistant District Attorney Powelson were unexpectedly summoned to New York by Dr. Whittaker on Saturday and Dr. Swartwout was directed to confer on Sunday with the analytical chemist, who has undertaken the task of determining the kinds of poison which caused the death of the aged couple. Dr. Swartwout has maintained the point at all times that the poison was administered at various times, even after medicine had been prescribed. He has been very reticent to express his opinion as to what kind of poison was used.

One of the physicians who performed the autopsy said: "Several poisonous compounds would produce the effect we found. It was impossible for us to tell what kinds of poison were used. If Martha knew enough to lay such a deep plot, she is a brighter girl than she is given credit for being. It requires a knowledge of chemistry to produce such results medically."

A gentleman who has read the ante mortem statement of Mrs. Snyder says that unless something is produced against her daughter besides her mother's evidence, she cannot be convicted.

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Brief Review of a Remarkable Murder
Case in Which the People of Great
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Were Equally Interested.

No criminal case in recent history has created more extended interest than that of Mrs. Florence Maybrick, an American woman convicted in England on the charge of murdering her husband, Thomas Maybrick, an Englishman residing in Liverpool. Mrs. Maybrick is now serving a life sentence for the alleged crime. Ever since her conviction in 1889 a large number of persons in England and in this country, firmly believing her innocent, have labored most energetically to secure her release. Repeated failures have served only to impel these devoted friends to more determined efforts, but it is now reported that Sir Matthew W. Ridley, the home secretary of the Salisbury cabinet, has decided not to liberate Mrs. Maybrick.

It is a most remarkable case, and the new phase it has taken will make a brief recital of it of timely interest. At the age of 11 Miss Chandler, daughter of W. G. Chandler, a banker of Mobile, Ala., was married to James Maybrick, a Liverpool broker, 44 years of age. The couple apparently lived happily together for a number of years. Two children, a boy and girl, were born to them. April 27, 1889, Maybrick was taken ill, and his wife nursed him tenderly until he died. Then she swooned and was unconscious for 48 hours. The doctors said death was caused by gastroenteritis, but two brothers of Maybrick and some of his women acquaintances averred that Mrs. Maybrick had poisoned her husband. She was placed under arrest before she recovered from the shock of her husband's death and was quickly tried.

The trial developed the fact that Maybrick was a habitual user of poisons, particularly arsenic; but the post-mortem did not disclose any of the drug in his stomach. About one-tenth of a grain was found in the liver and other parts of the body by a government analyst. Testimony was also introduced to show that husband and wife had quarreled a short time before his death; that there had been talk of a scandal between them and that he had made a will making his brothers universal legatees of his property for the benefit of his children. The trial took place before Justice Sir Fitzjames Stephens, an irascible jurist, who was said to have been insane and who afterward left the bench on account of his mental failings and died. Mrs. Maybrick's counsel was Sir Charles Russell, now lord chief justice of England. Judge Stephens in his charge to the jury was so evidently prejudiced against the prisoner that his remarks caused general comment. They apparently influenced the jury and they returned a verdict of guilty in 38 minutes, and the punishment was fixed at death. Owing to the circumstances of the case there arose a storm of protest in England and this country, and efforts to secure a rehearing of the case were begun. Unable to withstand the pressure Home Secretary Matthews commuted the sentence of death to imprisonment for life. When the liberal government came into power, Home Secretary Asquith was asked by Gail Hamilton to reopen the case. She presented petitions signed by members of President Harrison's cabinet and other persons of influence. He refused to take any action and even the efforts of the officials of the United States proved unavailing. With undaunted persistence the friends of Mrs. Maybrick kept up their efforts, and it has been reported, they are to be defeated again, there will be few among those who have followed the case who will not feel sad.

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at noon, 1 pair of matched horses, 1 good road

horse, and the entire lot of household goods in hotel, piano, plush parlor sofa, bed and bed-

dining room chairs, extension tables, pictures, dishes, cooking utensils, oil cloth, bed springs, dining room chairs and lots of other furniture. Terms at sale, \$25, \$35, \$41.

P. F. KAUFMAN, Auctioneer.

A NEW FIRM OF BUILDERS.

Jones, Creasy & Weinitz Purchase the Lindsey Property and Machinery of the New Firm.

A new firm of contractors, carpenters and builders, and dealers in building materials and lumber, will commence operations in this city, tomorrow. Messrs. Jones, Creasy & Weinitz have purchased the property of Lindsey & Co. on Union street. The purchase includes the real estate, the lumber, and all the machinery in the spacious factory.

The firm is composed of Oscar E. Jones, John Creasy and Louis Weinitz. Messrs. Jones and Creasy scarcely need an introduction at our hands. The former is a well known resident of this city, and for years has been actively engaged in the carpentering trade, and for several years past has been in business for himself.

Mr. Creasy has been a valued assistant of L. V. Sinsabaugh & Co. for the past eight years, and prior to that spent eight years in the employ of Hall's Sons, prominent contractors of New York city.

Mr. Weinitz comes to us from New York, where for several years he has conducted a successful contracting business.

Messrs. Lindsey & Co. will occupy a portion of the second floor of the factory, and will continue in the contracting business, but will not devote as much attention to jobbing as formerly.

GREENVILLE.

A Poverty Social—Moving Day—Personal.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

A few spring birds have made their appearance in this place.

A poverty social will be held at the home of Mr. Henry Simpson next Thursday evening, April 23, for the benefit of the M. E. Church. All come out and have a good time.

Mrs. Oscar Ferguson is visiting relatives in the vicinity of Mount Salem.

Mr. Harry Clark, of Beemerville, N. J., visited friends in this village, last Saturday and Sunday.

Moving day is almost at hand and some of our neighbors will leave this place for their new homes, next Wednesday.

Advertised Letter List.

List of letters remaining un-called for at the Middletown post office for the week ending March 30th:

LADIES.

Brown, Miss L. Lewis, Mrs. Frank Gross, Mrs. Lizzie McGee, Miss Mary Crawford, Miss Jessie care Wm Martin GENTLEMEN.

Barnes, Alfr d Goodwin, Lelard Brown, Chalier Green, Thos. E. Field, A. C. Graves, Harr, M. Field, H. C. Oppenheimer, Dara Zule, H. C. O. L. Etwood, Postmaster.

A Prompt Delivery Tricycle.

Mr. L. Stern, the enterprising milliner, has purchased a "Spaulding carrier" tricycle, which he will use in the delivery of parcels. As soon as the streets are in good condition there will be no waiting for goods purchased at his store.

A Cake Sale.

The B. O. H. King's Daughters of the First Presbyterian Church will have a sale of homemade cakes at F. M. Frank's drug store, Friday afternoon, from 2 to 6 o'clock. Come and help the little girls in their good work.

Monhagen Lake Almost Full.

Monhagen Lake was raised over nine inches by Sunday's rain and the water is now within three feet of the top of the overflow spillway.

Spring Medicine

Your blood in Spring is almost certain to be full of impurities—the accumulation of the winter months. Bad ventilation of sleeping rooms, impure air in dwellings, factories and shops, overeating, heavy, improper foods, failure of the kidneys and liver properly to do extra work thus thrust upon them, are the prime causes of this condition. It is of the utmost importance that you

Purify Your Blood

Now, as when warmer weather comes and the tonic effect of cold bracing air is gone, your weak, thin, impure blood will not furnish necessary strength. That tired feeling, loss of appetite, failure of the kidneys and liver properly to do extra work thus thrust upon them, are the prime causes of this condition. It is of the utmost importance that you

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SUICIDE AT CHESTER.

John Brown Tired of His Battle With Strong Drink Takes a Fatal Dose of Opium.

John Brown, a wagonmaker of Chester, took a large dose of opium on Saturday night and died from its effects at an early hour, Monday, without consciousness. Every effort was made by doctors and others to revive him from the stupor into which the deadly drug had thrown him, but without effect.

He engaged in business in Chester about four years ago, coming from Edenville. About twenty years ago he worked at Turners, thence went to Goehens and other places in the county. About a year ago he underwent the Keeley Gold Cure treatment, but after a brief while he again resumed the use of ardent spirits, and up to the time of his death had been quite a heavy indulger in the same.

From remarks he made to members of his family just prior to taking the drug, it is evident it was his purpose to end his life. He was a veteran of the civil war, and a member of the 12th Regiment, "Orange Blossoms," and drew a small pension. He was about 63 years old, and leaves a wife and a large family of adult children.

Coroner Decker held an inquest.

PINE BUSH.

No Preaching in the Presbyterian Church—The Glass Blowers—In Hard Luck—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowan, of Montgomery, are spending a few days with S. G. Decker.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Shafer, of Montgomery, were in town Saturday.

There will be no preaching in the Methodist Church for two weeks, owing to the absence of the pastor, Rev. T. H. Mackenzie.

Mr. John Boyce is remodeling his house.

Owen Crystal Museum Co. will show its skill in glass blowing in Wallace's Hall, this place, for five nights.

Mr. B. W. McElhone, of Pine Bush, is working at Campbell Hall building an addition to Mr. David Sheeley's house.

Mr. Edward Miotram is now confined to his bed with sciatic rheumatism. He says if he could tell what his next illness would be he would ask the doctor to leave a mixture of medicine to prevent it.

William I. Smith, our butcher, is on the sick list.

J. C. R. Taylor, Z. K. Green and G. Memory, of Middletown, were in town, Saturday.

Samuel McKaige is confined to the house with an attack of grip.

Rev. C. H. Park loaded his goods on the cars, Saturday, to be removed to Otisville, where he purchased a house and lot. We deeply regret the loss of so valuable a citizen.

Entertained Their Friends—Moving to Otisville—An Absent Pastor.

From Another Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Crawford entertained about thirty of their friends last Friday evening.

Rev. Mr. Park is moving to Otisville. We are sorry to see the family leave our village. Miss Hattie Park will board at Mrs. Falconer's, and continue as teacher of the primary department of our schools.

Rev. T. H. Mackenzie and family have gone to Salem, Washington county, for two weeks—consequently no preaching in Graham's church until Sunday, April 12th.

MONTGOMERY.

The C. E. Sociable—Business Changes—Personal and Other News Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

Mud! mud! mud! March is keeping her record good as to bad weather and roads this spring.

The C. E. sociable held at the home of Augustus Burnett, was not largely attended owing to the bad roads. About \$10 was netted.

Rev. J. F. Berg and sister are expected home this week. The Brick Church that was closed for two days, will be opened next Sunday.

The heavy rain has again raised the Wallkill to the high water mark.

John H. Cox has moved in the building with Hewitt, where he will continue to sell both news, fish and fruit.

Amos H. Cocks started for his home Sunday.

The market formerly occupied by John Cox, is going through a course of improvement and will be used by Jas. Hanlon as a meat market.

A man by the name of Sherman became a little or quite unruly one evening last week, and was taken into custody by Sam Pitts and it was found he either had to go to Goehens and break stone or leave town. He finally signed papers to leave but has not gone yet, much to the disgust of those who wish to see laws enforced.

It may save you time and money to be informed that, when you need a blood purifier, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the kind most in favor with the medical profession. It is the standard and, as such, the only blood purifier admitted at the Chicago World's Fair.

BULLVILLE.

The Leap Year Sociable—Gone to Conference—Many Interesting Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

The leap year sociable held at the residence of Mrs. M. M. Sherer, Friday evening, for the benefit of the M. E. Church was a success in every particular. It was much enjoyed by the gentlemen, too, as the ladies escorted them to supper and settled the bill. The proceeds were \$21.

Mr. James B. Montgomery, who is to be our storekeeper, after April 1st, has been here for a few days getting the dwelling ready for his family.

There will be no service in the Bullville M. E. Church, next Sunday.

Rev. E. T. Byles goes to conference in New York city this (Tuesday) morning. His report of the church finances shows it has been a prosperous year at Bullville.

Mr. Geo. W. Evans arrived at this place, Sunday, with a carload of fine horses.

Miss Annie Kimber and Miss Fannie Schindler, of Middletown, spent Saturday and Sunday with their friend, Miss Amanda B. Sherer.

Capt. Louis S. Wister and daughter, Mamie, of Middletown, called on Capt. T. M. Roberson and family, last Thursday.

Mr. Walter S. Merritt, the Erie's station agent at this place, returned, Thursday evening, from a week's visit to relatives and friends at Salisbury Mills.

Mrs. Annie Kimber, Miss Myrtle Osterhout and Miss Fannie Schindler, of Middletown, attended the sociable at M. M. Sherer's, Friday evening.

Mr. Milton Slawson and wife, of New York city, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Shaw.

Miss Gracie Howell, of Pine Bush, spent a few days last week with her brother, Mr. D. H. Howell, of this place.

Mrs. Dory Roberson and little son, Gordon, went to Newark, N. J., on Saturday, for a visit to relatives and friends.

Mr. Ed. Miller, a former resident of this place, was in town on business, Saturday.

NEW HAMPTON.

Victims of Grip—Concert—Wink for the Condensery—Bad Roads—Spring Changes—Personal Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

The roads are in a terrible condition, so muddy.

There will be a few changes in this village this spring.

Mr. Chas. Hawkins will move on one of Mr. Amos Ryerson's farms.

Misses Myra and Ada Hill, of Goshen, spent Saturday with Miss E. L. Stage, near this village.

Miss Mary Howell is spending a few days with her grandmother at Washingtonville.

The family of Mr. S. H. Creedon are quite sick with grip. They are attended by Dr. Myers, of State Hill.

The young people are rehearsing for the concert, to be held in the Denton church, Saturday evening, April 4th. The concert will begin at 7:30 o'clock. Admits ten fifteen cents.

Miss Grace Denton is home from Vassar College for the Easter vacation.

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